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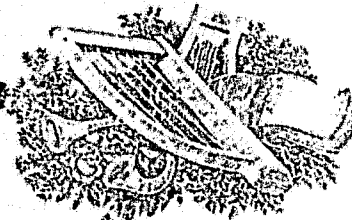
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POETRY.

[From the New England Galaxy.]
STANZAS.

Come, dearest, sit on this ledge rock,
Where its shadowy arms the beech-tree flings,
And where the cricket whistles his merry horn,
And all the air with melody rings:
'Mid visions so fair, and sounds so low,
Is there no lesson for thee and me?

There is the hum of the laboring bee!
He's rolled so long in the holly-hock's cup,
That the flower in spite has shut its leaves,
And closed the wanton intruder up;
And there he is with his yellow thighs,
A captive made with his dusty prize.

Poor greedy thing! we will let thee out;
For many a wiser one, like thee,
Has staid so long at forbidden sweets,
That soul and limb were no longer free;
Has bartered his right to an Angel's birth,
For the sickly joys of the sordid Earth.

Like a winged gem, a thought of joy,
The butterfly soars on the air to rest,
Now stoops the blossoming flowers to kiss,
Or falls asleep on the tulip's breast:
I would not call it a useless thing,
Nor deem it proud of its painted wing.

O! more like an Eden-apple it seems,
In pity left, when the garden bright
Was upward borne to a purer land,
And shrouded for aye from mortal sight.
It looks in the sunshine of Earth to me,
Like an exile doomed from Heaven to be.

It seeks for itself the sunniest spot,
And loves the breath of the flowers fair;
For perfume and light were the very things,
That made it so blissful dwelling there:
With its beauty left, and the melody gone,
That then not deem it an exile one?

And we are banished from Eden too,
The beams of glory, dimmed and veiled,
Let us leave then, the pure and bright of Earth,
And live as for those, who for Eden mourn:
Keeping warm in our hearts that fountain of love,
That springs by the throne of our Father above.

FROM THE GENTLEMAN'S VADE MECUM.

MY POLICE SCENES.

There is a little man in this city—there are
little men in most cities—but the one now on
the tapis is a peculiar little man—a fat little
man. He is just five feet each way. When
he is asleep he appears to be standing up
under the bed-clothes, although he is lying down;
when he descends the stairs, he might as well
roll on his side; and as for tumbling down, as
other people tumble down, it is out of the ques-
tion with Mr. Berry Black. Before he gets a
fair start from a perpendicular his corposity
touches the ground—which his hands in vain
attempt to reach; and as he leans forward, as
one may see a school boy leaning on a cotton
bale. He cannot fall on his nose—that privi-
lege of mortality is forbidden to Berry.

These fleshy attributes worry the little gen-
tleman amazingly. He cannot wear shoes,
for he must have assistance to tie them, and
that is altogether too troublesome for him.—
Boots are not without their vexations, although
he has a pair of patent hooks, constructed ex-
pressly for his own use. He is addicted to
literature, and could write tolerable verses once
upon a time, when he was thin enough to sit
so near a desk as to be able to write upon it,
which was a long time ago. His body is now
too large, and his arms too short, for such an
achievement. By the advice of the faculty,
Berry is now devoting his leisure to the sci-
ence of gymnastics, hoping in that to find relief.
Not content with exercising by day, he some-
times rises in the night, after brooding over
the miseries of being fat, and sallies forth to
jump at five plugs and swing upon awning
poles.

It was not long ago that he was seen, with
his hat upon a stepping stone, in front of a
house in Chesnut street, laboring very diligen-
tly at jumping over the stone of the chapman.
The bumping of the effort arose from the
heavy nature of the veritable Poughkeepsie, in
which he had been indulging very freely; but
he failed at each trial, kicking his hat into the
middle of the street.

"Phew!" said Berry, "My new hat will be
ruined to all intents and purposes. Oh! if
I was not so fat, I might be snoozing it off at
the rate of nine knots, like other people, instead
of tiring myself to death. But aint of no use.

Fat horses, and fat cows, and fat oxen, and
fat sheep is respected according; but fat men
is respected disaccording. Folks laugh, and
all the girls turn up their noses. Its tiresome
to jump over this here, but its a good deal tire-
somer to be so jolly that you can't jump over
nothing. So here goes agin. Warnee wunst!
warnee twyst! warnee three times! all the way
home!"

Berry assumed the salient attitude of the
pound of butter which Dawkins threw at his
wife, and was about making a desperate spring
when he was suddenly checked by the watch-
man.

"Don't baulk, good man—I say don't baulk
—can you jump over that 'ere bat, fair stand-
ing jump, with a brick in each hand, none of
your long runs, and step over!"

"Perhaps I might, but it won't do for us to
be cutting rusties at this time of night. You'd
better sing mighty small, I tell you. You'd
better sing mighty small, I tell you."

"Pooh! pooh! don't be ridiculous. My doc-
tor says if I don't exercise I'll be smothered,
and I'm working for my health. I've jumped
six fire plugs this very night, and I'll jump over
that 'ere bat before I go home—I'll be blowed
if I don't! Now squat and see if I go fair.—
Warnee wunst!"

"You're tuck up," said Charley, losing all
patience. "You're either a non compasser or
as blue as a razor. I never seed a more queer-
er feller, and I can't take the 'sponsibility of
letting you run at large."

"I can't run any other how than run at large;
but if you'll let me alone, I'll try to pump my-
self smaller. So clear out, skinny, and let me
practise. Warnee wunst!"

"You'd much better come along and make
no bones about it."

"Bones! I don't believe I've got any. I'm a
boned turkey. I've seen the article, but I never
had any bones myself."

"Yes; you're fat enough, and sassy enough
—sassy's no name for you. So you must come
to the watch'us."

"Well, if I must, I must; but if I get the
popeplexy, it's all your fault. Won't you let
me jump over my hat—you won't let me slide
on the cellar door—you won't let me do no-
thing! And now you're going to lock me up;
and, by drat, I would not wonder if I was to
be ten pounds heavier before sunrise, cocked
up over the market, nosing the beef. If I do,
I'll charge the corporation for widening me and
spoiling my clothes."

Berry walked off with his conductor—was
fined in the morning—and has been growing
fatter ever since, although he continues to prac-
tise "warnee wunst" at all convenient oppor-
tunities.

"It's a miserable piece of business," said
Neddy Brown; "living's a miserable piece of
business—and mankind is a miserable dog.—
I've been threatening to reform day time these
ten years, because, though I love liquor, I hate
tostication, and yet here I am the same old two
and sixpence I was last night—and every night
before that which I can remember. I'm pretty
tol-ol for an old man every night about twelve
o'clock. It's too bad, that's a fact. Now to-
morrow morning I'll be for passing the reform
bill, for the benefit of my constitution; but at
night the reform bill will be laid under the ta-
ble. 'S'posin' I was to join the temperance
society, by way of a slant, and taper off with a
quart or two of cider? But what's the use
when I can taper off without joining? I won't
be ruled by others, when I can go strait by
myself, if I've a mind to!" observed Brown,
as he brought up against the wall. "Temper-
ance! fiddlesticks! I must have a little now
and then, only I can't ever hit the right quan-
tity. I've a great mind to go and get gugged!
But if them temperance folks will go the entire
animal, the whole sucker, the complete cat-
fish, I'm the boy to join 'um. Quit the cities,
and go into the woods, and dine upon acorns.
Veto pigtail, long nines, and maccoubas. But
they won't." "They're just like my dad, who
used to hammer me for lying in bed, when I
was a boy, and it was only because his coppers
were so hot he couldn't sleep, that made him
get up himself. Hot coppers is an earlier riser
than a chicken, and the way to get up early is
to take a treble allowance. Bless my heart!"
said Brown, "if I ain't getting the where-to-go
in my head."

"What's the matter, neighbor?" said a man
with a badge.

"I'm gizzy—got the where-to-go in my head
instead of my feet."

"Shall I assist you?"

"Sir, you're too polite. You're as insinua-
ting as a corkscrew. I'll not bother you."

"No bother, not by no means. It's my du-
ty."

"Here's a philanthropist! His duty to as-
sist people in distress! Why you're a bird—a
perfect tom tit Chesterfield."

"Don't run your rigs upon me, larkey, or
I'll give you another guess sort of a where to
go. I've a sort of impression that you're
sprung. You've had too much tea, and too
little water."

"You hurt my feelings, and brush the blue
off the delicate plum of my character by your
insinuations. After to-morrow, I won't touch
a toddy, if it was to cry for me to kiss it."

"Well, you shan't be tuck up on suspicion.
Can you walk a crack, foot over foot, twis-
tified fashion?"

"If it was't that I'm troubled in my mind,
I'm sure I could. I know I can to-morrow, if
you'll stop in after dinner, take off your things,
bring your work, and stay to tea, as the gals
say."

"That will never do. Walk a crack, or
you must walk your chalk before the Mayor."

"Well, I will. You mustn't laugh though, or
you'll put me out."

"Fire away, Flanagan. I'll be as grave as
a jackass; or a justice of the peace when he
wants his dinner."

"Stand aside!" roared Brown. "Here
goes!" He made a desperate rush to escape,
but his accommodating friend put out his foot,
and Neddy Brown typified the decline and
fall of the Roman empire.

"I'm down, and it's all up," sighed he.—
"It's F for figs, I for figs, N for knuckle
bones, and I S for Jack-stones, with me. My
knees are stuv' in, and I can't tell whether I've
got any hands on or not. If I'd passed the re-
form bill or joined the temperance society, this
wouldn't have happened. I'm a prey to the
law, though I've prayed not to be many a
time. I'll knock off, and come out cat-bird
for the future. It will be a great saving of figs,
and clothes, too, for my pants are tore tanta-
mount to the slack of fifty cents: old Canvas-
back will charge a full that for sewing a pancake
to each knee."

"Why didn't you behave nice, and do cred-
it to them as loch you up, instead of trying to
break jail, with no manners than a loss?"

"Ah, now, let me go, that's a good man, and
I'll never do so any more. Ah! do—you're a
clever fellow."

"How often, upon your deed and deed and
double deed, and cross your breath, have you
promised that?"

"Don't ask me, for I can't tell. I havn't got
my cyphering-book. Long sums always bother
me so."

"Then, the case is all Dickey and down
Dennis. When you're once took, and you're
took now, as far as my readin' goes, there's no
acreshrinary power vested, under the con-
stitution of the city, or the corporsity of the
State, in me for sufferin' you to mosey home,
or cut stick any where else. For the law thinks
if you're had enough scorch'd to be hung on to;
and I'm inclined to think so, too, seeing as how
didoes in one street is pretty nigh as bad as
didoes in another; and when men's corned
can go strait home, if they was to try. It al-
so appears that your flint has been fixed afore,
and as often as it has been fixed, so much the
bigger is my 'sponsibility. The natur' of the
case is as clear as blue mud, especially as you
tried to scratch gravel, break bail, and make
yourself scarce. It's my opinion that I must
tortle off with you, and hand you politely into
quod."

The court was so prolix in delivering his
opinion, that Brown had fallen fast asleep be-
fore the awful termination, which consigned
him to quod, was reached. With some diffi-
culty he was aroused, and carried to the grand
depot of the bibulous, and in the morning was
disposed of secundum artem.

A FRENCHMAN'S TRICK.

Monsieur Duphot was a French refugee who
had fled to America in the beginning of the
revolution, and settled himself in Boston. His
judgment of the Yankees was expressed with-
out reserve—"Ils sont bons enfans, mais ils ne
savens pas jouer le violon." But Monsieur
Duphot had a waggish neighbor, who, if he
could not play the fiddle, could play a trick,
as the Frenchman found to his annoyance, hav-
ing been Aprilfooled, and sent on errands after
pigeon's milk, more times than once by this
mischievous fellow. He would have paid him
in his own coin, but his bad English was
sure to carry him into some blunder in the at-
tempt, and the jokes which he plotted common-
ly exploded on his own hands. However,
good luck and his own wit made him amends,
now and then. One day, Mr. B——, the jok-
er aforesaid, met him in the market, where
the Frenchman was cheapening a quarter of
mutton.

"Ah! monsieur," said he, "you and I are
on the same errand. You dine on mutton to-
day?"

"Yes, sir; do muttons is more sheep as de
bit, voyez vous?"

"True, and if you and I buy a bit together,
it will be cheaper. What do you say?"

"Ver well, allons; let us see—how much
you want?"

"Oh, about a quarter."

"Bien, bien, and so do I. Don me buy
half a mutton ensemble, and don me make him
two half cheatin a piece."

"Exactly," replied B——.

So straightway making a purchase of a side
of mutton, he cut it in two, and taking the hind
quarter for himself, offered the Frenchman the
other.

"Attendez!" said the Frenchman; it is de
hind quarter I want."

"Really! now it happens to be the very

part I want too!" said the other, pretending
surprise.

The Frenchman grinned, and shrugged his
shoulders.

"Come," said B——, "let us toss a cent,
and he that wins shall put his hand upon one
piece, and say 'Who shall have this?' while
the other turns his back, and answers 'I' or
'you.'"

"Ver well."

"Here it goes then; head, I win; tail, you
lose."

The former proposition was uttered as the
coin flew into the air. "Ay," said the French-
man to it, and "No," to the latter, for he had
been tricked that way before. Mr. B——
was caught in his own trap, for it was not a
head. "However, 'tis an equal chance yet,"
thought he.

"Tournez done," said the Frenchman; and
silly whipping out his penknife he chopped off
the tail from the one portion of the mutton, and
clapping it upon the other, cried out, as if in
his usual blundering way,

"Who shall have dis wid de tail on?"

"I!" replied the other, jumping round in
great glee at the supposed etourderie of his
companion.

"Den you take him, de fore quarter."

Mr. B—— scratched his head, without say-
ing a word, for a moment or two, till the ex-
plosion of laughter which accompanied the
trick had in some degree subsided. Then with
an exceedingly foolish look, he marched away,
carrying his fore quarter of mutton with the
tail on, which winds this tale off—*London New
Monthly Magazine.*

SPANISH ETIQUETTE.

The etiquette or the rules to be observed in
the royal places is necessary, writes Baron
Bielfield, for keeping order at court. In Spain
it was carried to such lengths as to make mar-
tyrs of their kings. Here is an instance, at
which, in spite of the fatal consequences it pro-
duced, one cannot refrain from smiling.

Philip the Third was gravely seated by the
fire-side: the fire-maker of the court had kindled
so great a quantity of wood, that the mon-
arch was nearly suffocated with heat, and his
grandeur would not permit him to rise from
the chair; the domestics could not presume to
enter the apartment, because it was against
the etiquette. At length the Marquis de Pont
appeared, and the king ordered him to damp
the fires; but he excused himself; alleging
that he was forbidden by the etiquette to per-
form such a function, for which the Duke d'-
Usseda ought to be called upon, as it was his
business. The duke was gone out; the fire
burst fiercer; and the king endured it, rather
than derogate from his dignity. But his blood
was heated to such a degree, that an erysipelas
of the head appeared the next day, which suc-
ceeded by a violent fever, carried him off in
1921, in the twenty-fourth year of his age.

The palace was once on fire; a soldier, who
knew the king's sister was in her apartment,
and must inevitably have been consumed in a
few moments by the flames, at the risk of his
life rushed in, and brought her highness safe
out in his arms; but the Spanish etiquette was
here wofully broken into! The loyal soldier
was brought to trial, and as it was impossible to
deny that he had entered her apartment, the
judges condemned him to die! The Spanish
Princess however condescended, in considera-
tion of the circumstance, to pardon the soldier,
and very benevolently saved his life!

When Isabella, mother of Philip-III, was ready
to be delivered of him, she commanded that
all the lights should be extinguished; that if the
violence of her pain should occasion her face
to change color, no one might perceive it.—
And when the midwife said, "Madam, cry out,
that will give you ease," she answered in good
Spanish, "How dare you give me such advice?
I would rather die than cry out."

"Spain gives us pride—which Spain to all, the earth
May largely give, nor fear herself a death!"
Churchill.

Philip the Third was a weak bigot, who suf-
fered himself to be governed by his ministers.
A patriot wished to open his eyes, but he could
not pierce through the crowds of his flatterers;
besides, that the voice of patriotism heard in a
corrupted court would become a crime never
pardonable. He found, however, an ingenious
manner of conveying to him censure. He
caused to be laid on his table one day, a letter
sealed, which bore this address—"To the King
of Spain, Philip the Third, at present in the
service of the Duke of Lerma."

In a similar manner, Don Carlos, son to
Philip the Second, made a book with empty
pages, to contain the ravages of the father,
which bore this title—*The Great and Admira-
ble Voyages of the King Mr. Philip.* All
these voyages consisted of going to the Escorial
from Madrid, and returning to Madrid from
the Escorial. Jest of this kind, at length,
cost him his life.

WEDDING STORY.

In the Palatinate of Germany, there lived a
fine young fellow, and only son of a rich noble-
man. He paid his address to an only daughter
of a gentleman, quite as rich as his father. In

every particular, the young couple seemed a
suitable match. When all due arrangements
were adjusted between the parties, the young
nobleman politely addressed the damsel's fa-
ther and requested his daughter in marriage.
The old gentleman instantly refused, to the no
small chagrin of the young man. "But, why
is this denial? what can induce you to with-
hold your daughter?" says the young fellow.
"I am," said the father, "resolved never to
marry my daughter and myself, and if that is
not sufficient, surely your daughter's patrimo-
ny will amply supply the lack," replied the
suitor. "Our country is liable to be overrun
with war," rejoined the nobleman, "and prop-
erty is very insecure. I cannot give my daugh-
ter to any but a mechanic." "How long,"
says the young man, "will you retain your
daughter for me to learn a trade?" "As long
as you please," replied the father.

The young gentleman apprenticed himself
immediately to a basket maker, and in six
months returned with perfect specimens of his
skill. The nuptials were celebrated.

But now is seen the sageness of the old
man's advice. A short season only elapsed
when war devastated the country, the property
of both families failed, and the young man sup-
ported in style both his own and father-in-law's
family by his basket making.

MOSMANIA. The most singular case of
monomania or derangement on one topic, that
has ever fallen under our notice, was that of
Capt. Jonathan Elwell, recently deceased in
Northport. Many years since, Capt. Elwell
was the owner and master of a brig which he
was repairing at a southern port, when from
some trifling difference about the price of re-
pair, or for refusing to settle a bill twice, he
became involved in a lawsuit, and lost his ves-
sel. He was so stung with the injustice of the
case, that, in the highest excitement, he re-
paired to Washington, and stated the circum-
stances to President Madison. Of course, the
President could do no more than sympathise
with him, but Capt. Elwell carried away some
confused notion about the interview, and con-
tinued to prosecute his appeals for justice, and
lay open his grievances thenceforth to all who
had patience to hear him, and read his time
worn documents. It might be supposed that
the consequence of this continual excitement,
and constant attention to one subject would
have entirely destroyed his mind; it was not
so, however, for nature came to his relief,
made it partially crazy, upon all subjects but
that of property Capt. Elwell was perfectly
sane. He supposed himself to be the owner
of more property than the United States could
command, and that the government was his
debtor; no consideration would have induced
him to sign a discharge to any one citizen, as
he supposed he should thereby release the
whole: we have known of his being offered,
in good faith, no inconsiderable sums to do
this, but he always resolutely refused. He
was accustomed, when upwards of sixty years
old, to make long journeys on foot, as he said,
to attend to his business, so that at length al-
most every one between Belfast and Washing-
ton had heard of Capt. Elwell, and when the
old man claimed a passage in the mail or steam-
boat, with an avowal that both were his prop-
erty, he was seldom refused.

He has told us his interviews with the differ-
ent Presidents, likewise with Mr. Webster,
and other distinguished personages, and he was
never happier than when discoursing about the
certainty of the ultimate recovery of his claims.
If we told him he was growing old, "Well if
I don't get it," the old man would answer, "my
heirs will." We never saw Capt. Elwell with-
out being reminded of the admirably drawn
character of Peter Peckles, in Scott's Red-
gummet. Well, the old man is dead and cer-
tainly when we saw the death announced, and
brought to mind the many friendly chats we had
held with him—for he was a good hearted,
and with one exception, a sensible man—we
brushed away something like a tear.

Bangor Whig.

UNWISE MEN.

The angry man—who sets his own house on
fire, in order that he may burn up that of his
neighbor.

The envious man—who cannot enjoy life
because others do.

The robber—who, for the consideration of a
few dollars, gives the world liberty to hang
him.

The hypochondriac—whose highest happi-
ness consists in rendering himself miserable.

The miser—who starves himself to death, in
order that his heir may feast.

The slanderer—who tells tales for the sake
of giving his enemy an opportunity to prove
him a liar.

"Remember," said a father, to his son just
going abroad, "that frugality is the only road to
true independence. 'Faith dad," exclaimed
the young hopeful, "I know better than that;
for when Jo and I went to independence we
went the turnpike; but I s'pose you'd go 'tath-
er road to save toll."

REMARKS OF MR. SHEPLEY, OF MAINE,

In Senate, Feb. 14, 1835—upon one of the bills introduced with Mr. Calhoun's Report on Executive Patronage.

Mr. SHEPLEY said: It is not my purpose nor do I intend to enter into an elaborate argument upon this bill; but I do intend to assign a reason or two, why the bill, in my judgment, if it could be carried into effect, would be productive of much mischief, and of no good.

I propose to repeal the law which limits the tenure of certain offices to four years; and require the President upon the removal of an officer, when he nominates a successor, to assign his reasons to the Senate for such removal. What then is to be the practical operation of official life by the operation of law? When an individual obtains an office, he will continue to hold it until deprived of it by death, unless the President removes him. But the President is not to remove him without assigning his reasons to the Senate; and there is no object in having the reasons assigned unless those reasons are to be examined, and their sufficiency decided upon by the Senate; as well as by the people. The President, therefore, must not only be able to assign satisfactory reasons, but he must be able to establish by satisfactory proof every fact upon which those reasons are founded. If he does not do this, he may be condemned in the judgment of others, however good those reasons may be in his own mind, and however well proved may be the facts in his own judgment. The practical result, then, would be, that the President cannot remove from office until misconduct or corruption shall not only be made to appear satisfactorily to him to exist, but it must be satisfactorily proved, as to establish the fact with the Senate. The reasons then must be as satisfactory and as well established, as if an impeachment of the officer was to be brought forward by the House, and tried and decided in this body. It would readily be perceived, that if such were to be the practical operation of the proposed bill, it virtually made the tenure of office, a tenure during good behavior, which is the same as during life unless misconduct is proved. This bill then really proposes a practical change of the mode of holding office under this Government as to all the officers but the judicial officers; and gives the same security to all others as to the judicial officers, except that the judicial officers will hold their offices by virtue of the constitutional provision, while the others hold theirs by virtue of the law.

And what is to be the effect of the proposed change? In the first place, it creates a privileged class in the community. And I am not disposed to encourage the establishment of a favored and privileged class, having distinct interest and a separate feeling marked off, and divided from the people by distinguishable lines.

Reason and experience both teach us, that the result of holding offices during good behavior, is to create an impression in the officer, that he may consult his own feelings, his own convenience, his caprice or pleasure, instead of the convenience of the people, for whose benefit only he holds or ought to hold it. He will conduct differently in office from what he would do, if he knew that he was at all times subject to be removed, whenever it could be shown, that the people could be better served by another.

The officer who holds during good behavior, soon acquires a disposition to regard the office as his own property or estate, rather than as a trust merely, which he administers, not for his own benefit, but for the benefit of the whole People. And he is not influenced by that direct sense of duty which ought to, and would control him, if he was more sensible of a direct accountability to public opinion.

The tendency is to hold out temptations to him to abuse his trust, because he can do it with less danger of being deprived of it. If offices are held during good behavior, or life, the Government is disabled from doing justice to the People; they have a right to require of the Government the appointment of such men to office as can best perform the duties; and it may happen, and frequently does, and will happen, that individuals are selected for office who prove to be deficient in those qualifications of mind, or habits of life, which are necessary to enable them to discharge the duties to the best advantage, and most usefully, and yet they may endeavor to do well. And are the People to suffer all the evils of their remaining in office for life, while they may be useful to themselves or others in a different situation, and when others may be enabled to discharge the duties intrusted to them, much more to the interest and satisfaction of the People?

Is it just to the People to continue a man in office for life, if he has done well, who may have been so fortunate as to accumulate a large estate, while there may be found many equally capable of performing the duties, who, by discharge or other misfortunes, may have been reduced to want, or may be disqualified for more active and laborious business?

It may be desirable to have the power to bestow office upon those well qualified, who, in the service of the country in time of war, may have been disabled for the more active duties of life by the loss of a limb, or by the effects of disease, instead of burdening the People with their support by a pension. And must the Government be deprived of this power, for the purpose, it may be, of assisting the luxurious office holder to obtain still other indulgences! I share either honors or emoluments with others. The effect will be to perpetuate abuses. A man long in office, if he becomes skillful in

the performance of its duties, becomes also skillful in all the means by which he may use it for oppression; for the accumulation of unjust gains; and skillful in the thousand devices by which he may tax the Government and the People both, and obtain emoluments which were never designed for him.

He becomes wise also, in covering up, and keeping secret abuses which exist; and which can never be discovered and proved even when believed to exist, until he is removed, and all his papers and proceedings are subjected to the examination of others. It has been often found that it is only by removals, that the truth with regard to the conduct of officers is disclosed. And for this reason it is, that many of the States have limited a period of time beyond which no person should hold the office of Treasurer. They have judged it to be wise to deprive those of office, who are intrusted with their money, at certain short periods of time, and to require a surrender of all their papers, and an examination of all their conduct; and they do this because they judge it to be the most effectual method of having the trust faithfully and safely discharged. Why should a rule deemed just and wise by so many States, be disregarded by us?

Experience has taught the States, as well as the Union, that it is a wise and just rule. Many instances of defalcation and corruption among those who were supposed to be good officers while in office, have been discovered on their retiring by virtue of a law, or on their removal; and their names could be given, but I forbear to do it, as it is not necessary to the argument.

There is now a double responsibility upon public officers. They are responsible to the President as the Executive; and they are now responsible to the People. They must so discharge their duties as to satisfy those, whose duty it is to overlook them and see that their duties are faithfully and punctually performed, and they must so discharge them as to promote the interests and convenience of the people for whose benefit they hold the trust. And a failure to satisfy both, will justify, in my judgment, call for a change. How frequently does the knowledge that an officer does not discharge his duties in a proper manner come to the appointing power only through his responsibility to public opinion? But it cannot be expected that public opinion will be the means of checking the abuses of office when that opinion can have no operative influence upon the officer. Proof is required; general dissatisfaction and complaint can effect nothing. Who will put himself in the power of an officer clothed with perpetual authority, by becoming his accuser, when he must know that if he fails in making certain proof, he is to be subjected to an interminable difficulty? No one, sir. It will never be done. The officer will feel that he can hold the office in defiance of public opinion, and the people will feel it too; and will no longer regard the officer as one of themselves, performing services for their benefit, but they will look upon him as one estranged from their interests and foreign from their feelings, and there will no longer exist that confidence and harmony between public officers and the people which ought to exist, and must exist for the benefit of the people. The people now can make themselves heard and respected, and by the force of public opinion, can have their public servants displaced. But if the President is required to give satisfactory reasons for a removal, he must first have proof of misconduct, and if proof is attempted as long as parties exist, the testimony will be contradictory, and there will be room for dispute upon the facts, and the people will never be able to procure a removal until a case is made so clear as to authorize and justify an impeachment. The voice of the people is lost; they can no longer be heard, or if heard, respected. I would never take away this two-fold responsibility; never destroy this responsibility to the people.

A man may prove to be a bad public officer from constitutional traits of character. He may be slow in the discharge of duty, where expedition is required. He may have an irritable temper, where great patience is desirable or necessary. These, and a great variety of other causes, may prevent his discharging official duties as they ought to be discharged; and yet he may not be chargeable with any intentional misconduct; and must the people suffer under these inconveniences, without any effectual remedy? The injury or inconvenience to the individual by removal, is not at all to be compared to the public injury by his continuance, in such cases.

But, sir, I go further, and I will say plainly, that I hold to "rotation in office." I would not necessarily require any positive fault in an officer, in order to remove him from office. If the constitution had been so made as to enable an officer to retain office during good behavior, I would myself, if no other person did, move an amendment to it to change the tenure of office. I can never agree to the principle, that officers are to be held for life. I protest against it from first to last. It operates against the people; its tendency is to procure mischief, not good to them; good to none but the privileged class which it establishes.

He who performs his duties well, has established no special claim to future favor. He has received his full pay in the manner in which he expected to receive it, when he accepted the office; whether it be a pecuniary or honorary reward. Others are equally entitled with himself, at all times, and he has no special cause of complaint, if he is required to share either honors or emoluments with others. It is just, and proper, and useful, without re-

gard to party, or party favors, to change public officers. It is in accordance with our system of Government, which holds out equal rights and equal privileges to all. And when officers hold their offices under this Government during good behavior, then one of its great features, of holding out equal privileges to all, will have been destroyed. The judicial power constitutes one of the distinct branches of the Government. It is called upon to decide whether the legislative branch has exceeded its constitutional power in the enactment of the laws. It is required to give a legal construction to the meaning of those laws. It is supposed these decisions, may be disagreeable or offensive to the Legislature. It must, in like manner, sit in judgment upon the manner in which the officers of the Executive branch execute the laws and may offend there, also, if its duty is faithfully discharged. The number of persons composing the judicial power is small, its patronage is small, if it has any. In theory it is supposed to be comparatively more feeble than other branches; and that it needs to be strengthened by giving it security in the tenure of office, for the purpose of preserving its integrity and independence. Whether experience fully justifies the soundness of the reasons or not, which decided that the tenure of office in the judicial branch should be during good behavior, I think it may be said with safety, that it does not warrant the extension of the like tenure to any other officer of the Government.

I forbear to enter upon the argument, at this time, of the constitutional question presented in the bill, requiring the President to give his reasons, for the removal of an officer, to this body. The subject is too broad for discussion at this time, when so few days remain for the business of the session. I will only say that in my opinion, the power of removal rightfully belongs to the President, under the constitution independent of the uniform practice ever since the existence of the Government. The uniform practice of the Government, and the acquiescence of the People under that practice, without complaint, since its first formation, have settled it, if a question can be so settled. In my judgment, therefore, the proposed measure is unconstitutional. It requires one independent branch of Government to give reasons for its conduct to another independent branch. And if one branch must give the reasons of its acts to another branch, it follows, of course, that those reasons are to be examined and judgment is to be formed and pronounced upon them. And the result is to be, that one branch of the Government is to be trying and judging another branch as independent as itself; and the spectacle is to be presented, of the separate branches of Government occupying their time in hearing testimony and judging of each other's acts, instead of attending to the duties intrusted to them under the constitution. I find no provision in the constitution authorizing such a course; and, until it can be shown, I must hold it to be alike inexpedient and unconstitutional. The accountability of the three separate and independent branches of the Government, is not to each other, except in cases such as impeachment, provided for in the constitution, but to the People.

This bill proposes a measure, then, which, in my judgment, is a violation of good sense, sound reason, and the provisions of the constitution. I have now to say a few words in relation to the latest from France.

We learn from a passenger in the Southern Mail Steamer this morning, that intelligence reached Boston yesterday, of the arrival at New York, on the evening of the 20th, of a French Sloop-of-War, with the new French Minister (as was supposed) on board. By the arrival of a vessel three days later from Havre, it is said, news have been received, of the presentation of the bill appropriating the indemnity agreeably to our treaty with France, accompanied by an able and eloquent speech of the Minister of Finance, urging an immediate passage of the bill, as an act of the highest equity and justice. No action of the Chambers had taken place, previously to the sailing of the vessel by which this intelligence came.

The French Minister resident in this country, had been recalled in consequence of erroneous advice transmitted to his court. Such was the intimation in the speech of the Minister of Finance. He had deceived his Government as to the public feeling in this country, in relation to the course of France, and had held out the prospect of a compromise by a considerable reduction of the indemnity stipulated by the treaty. As usual, in such cases, Mr. Livingston had been offered his despatches, but still remaining at the French Court. It is supposed also, that despatches from our Minister at Paris had been brought by the French Sloop-of-War. Of their purport, of course, nothing has yet transpired.—*Port. Argus*

The French brig of war, D'Assas, Capt. Dugue, arrived at New York on Friday evening, having left Brest on the 20th of January. She brings despatches, and comes, it is said, to take the French Minister home. Capt. Dugue refused to furnish the New York Editors with any Paris papers, or with any information relative to the proceedings of the French Chamber of Deputies.

The packet ship Sully, arrived shortly after the above vessel, bringing Havre papers to the 18th, and Paris to the 16th, inclusive. The news by this arrival is decidedly pacific. The excitement which prevailed in France on the receipt of the President's Message, was subsiding, and the people generally were averse to a war with the U. States.

M. Serrurier is spoken of by the officers of the D'Assas, as being in disfavor with the French Ministry, having occasioned all the difficulty, by stating to his government, that he could settle the claims for twelve millions of francs. He has been recalled, but is not to return in the French brig, leaving the inference to be drawn that he may find his way home as he can. It is further supposed that a new French Minister will very shortly be appointed. The above news is confirmed by the following extract from the Paris Tribune: "We are assured that the Government was not sorry to have an opportunity of recalling M. Serrurier, and that when the question as to the American claim is arranged, he will not return to Washington. It appears that previous to the debates in the Chamber on the 25,000,000, he wrote to the King that the difference might be settled for 12,000,000 francs, and it is believed that a copy of this despatch being communicated to several influential members of the Centre, by the friends of M. Serrurier, contributed in no small degree to the rejection of the demand for the 25,000,000 francs. From this moment the disgrace of the French Minister to the U. S. was resolved on, but it could not be decided upon for fear of divulging the motives."

Chamber of Deputies, Jan. 15. M. Dupin took the Chair at ten o'clock. A more than usual number of Deputies were present. The Minister of Finance ascended the tribune, and introduced the subject of the President's Message in relation to the indemnity bill. The opinions expressed in the Message, he said, were the President's only, and should not be considered as a national indignity to France, nor become less just, nor less politic than before, as the course adopted by the President had not weakened the basis of equity and reason, in which the transaction rested, and consequently the Government had persevered in its determination to present the treaty again for examination. The engagement once taken, it is for the honor of France that it should be accomplished. After other remarks, the bill was then presented, containing a proviso that it should not take effect until it is ascertained that the government of the U. States had adopted no measures injurious to the French interests.

The reading of the preamble and the bill, occasioned considerable sensation in the Chamber. The bill was ordered to be printed, distributed, and submitted for examination to the standing committee—the discussion of it being reserved for a future sitting.

The Paris editors contradict the report that Mr. Livingston intended to leave the French Capital. Their remarks are favorable to the settlement of our claim. The pacific character of the speech of the Minister of Finance had occasioned a rise in the price of Stocks—a good symptom.

The Journal des Debats, speaking of the American Claim, says: "Could Ministers, in a question of justice, suffer France to remain even under the semblance of dishonor? A determination on their part to wait the decision of the American Congress before urging upon the Chambers the immediate fulfillment of the treaty, would have been seriously detrimental to our Commerce. It is false to say that the Chambers will deliberate, under the influence of threat, as it has been answered in a proper manner. The expression of the opinion of the President cannot be taken as an act of the Government. * * * The depredations on American commerce were flagrant violations of maritime neutrality. More grave interests have rarely come before the Chambers, and we look forward with anxiety to the settlement of the question."

A letter has been received by the Sully, from a gentleman in Paris, dated Jan. 16, in which he says that he had just returned from a visit to Mr. Livingston, who stated that the newspaper account of that morning, in which he is said to have had an interview with the King is not true; that he has not seen the King or his Ministers since he was informed his passports had been made out.

LONDON, Jan. 14. This morning we received the morning and evening Paris papers of Monday. Our contemporaries in that capital have not recovered from their surprise at the lofty tone assumed by the President of a State, which dates its existence only from yesterday, towards the head of a Monarchy of 1600 years standing—"the eldest son of Christianity," as Chateaubriand somewhere calls it. The assumption of unaffected superiority on the part of a country where, only two centuries ago, the prowling beast of prey contended with the roving savage for the supremacy; and which fifty years ago, the Abbe Raynal assured his countrymen, never could produce but a stunted race of men, this assumption, we say, of superiority towards a nation so justly proud of the number and splendor of its triumphs in the domains of the arts, sciences, and arms, has produced much the same effect on our mercantile neighbors as if the statue of Napoleon had been added from its lofty site in the place Vendôme, and stalked through the streets of Paris.

They imagine themselves still in a dream; they shut their eyes purposely to favor the delusion; and the Chamber of Deputies has actually suspended its sittings for a sole purpose of recovering its equanimity, which appears to have been frightfully disturbed by the sharp lecture of the republican President. But if the remedy has been of the caustic kind, let us hope that its effect will be salutary, by showing the gallant people, who are now win-

ing under its application, the glorious height from which they have been precipitated by a vile, treacherous and anti-national cabal, and pointing out to them at the same time, the only way in which they can regain that proud elevation.

If the United States are an instance of the magical effects of true liberty upon the genius and prosperity of nations, so is France a melancholy but highly instructive example, at this time, of the pernicious influence which the possession of power in the hands of a vile faction may exercise over the destinies of the most powerful and enlightened community.

Prince Talleyrand is in daily communication with the King; and it would seem that although not recognized as one of Louis Philippe's Cabinet, still he possesses very considerable influence in the Royal closet.

PUBLIC SENTIMENT ABROAD.

How strikingly do the following comments of the London Press contrast with the alternately bullying and cowardly assaults on the administration by the Federal papers, in this country, in relation to the President's message.

FURTHER EXTRACTS

From London papers to Jan. 17th.

From the London Public Ledger, Jan. 13. The Parisian politicians charge the American President with having grossly insulted and dishonored the French nation by the language which he has adopted in his Message to Congress. We must confess that we are at a loss to discover the grounds upon which the French found this outcry about insulted dignity. How does the case stand? France has acknowledged herself indebted to America a certain sum; she has repeatedly promised payment; the promise she has not fulfilled, and further declares that she does not intend to fulfill it; that is, she refuses to pay a just debt. America threatens to enforce payment, and this France resists out against as a grievous injury—a national insult. Let the debt be paid, and the wound which national honour has sustained will heal of itself.

From the London True Sun, Jan. 16.

Notwithstanding this salvo [the intended presentation of the law relative to our claims to the Chamber of Deputies], the plain dealing republican took the intimation about the passports in its literal sense; and, without condescending to enter into further explanations, adopted immediate measures for quitting the French capital and territory with as little delay as possible. In this view, as an American vessel might not be ready at any of the outposts, he marked his route at once for England. It is true he leaves the first Secretary of the Legation, in the capacity of Chargé d'Affaires, behind him; but we are persuaded this is the effect of mutual arrangement, in which the French cabinet, and not the American Minister, took the initiative. These sturdy republicans have a singular knack of tearing to pieces the web of an artful and tortuous diplomacy! We can easily figure to ourselves the astonishment of De Rigny, when he saw that the American, instead of making a single effort to soothe the wounded vanity of his government, took him at his word; and for aught we know, the project of law respecting the American claims may be as much due to the dignified conduct of Mr. Livingston, as to a sense of justice on the part of the cabinet of the Tuilleries.

However, the question is now, whether the American President will be satisfied with so tardy an act of justice, after the affront which accompanies it. If he is, we are sure his conduct will be the effect of sheer magnanimity—a noble desire not to endanger the general principle of good government by visiting on a gallant people the sins of its worthless rulers. It is worthy of remark, at the same time, that the display of energy exhibited by the cabinet of the Citizen King, has been made towards a people who excel all other in the love and practice of liberty, and whose unexampled prosperity is a quite conclusive proof of its wonderful influence. Louis Philippe has not been so tenacious of his own honor or of that of the French nation, in the frequent rebuffs he has met with from the great military and despotic Powers. All his pugnacity is reserved for the free states; and towards the despotic Powers, he has too much sympathy with them to great a desire to be one of them, to mind a few cuffs. Of this however, he may be answered, that the straight forwardness of Jackson, will prove an overmatch for all his cunning.

It is stated by the New York papers, that letters have been received in that city, from Washington, which states that the Committee on Foreign Relations, would report to the House on the 20th, and that the report would conclude without the recommendation of any specific measure, but a declaration that the United States adhere to the treaty with France and expect its execution.—[The Age.]

A correspondent of the Journal of Commerce, thus speaks of Mr. Shepley's remarks on the debate on the repeal of the four year's bill, in the Senate of Friday:

"Mr. Shepley opposed the bill in a few ingenious arguments, in which he stuck out some new views of the subject. He argued that the effect of the bill would be to perpetuate all officers in the same hands, during good behavior; to prevent the removal of an officer, except upon positive, legal proof of malfeasance; to cover up many corrupt practices in office which can only be exposed after a removal, and to counteract the republican system of rotation in office, which he thought ought always to prevail, except in the Judiciary."

OXFORD

PAID

We have not heard from the student. Bills that accompany an opinion in fact, however, we do say, that the student is disarming it. We are in government—of a system of rights measures that have emanate from within we should be disarmed when coming from Clay or Webster to the management of their whole lives; however, should be proving what is right. If they have repeated themselves, we are glad to see neither the one of them only from the debates on the have been intended, as such, contains an aggregation with reason articles of papers contain the derived from the than one hundred dependent on exco-

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We further learn is asserted that he have increased from half millions to two is a startling aspect the ordinary expenses included, money is paid over to the agent. And by a twelve seven and a three quarters pence. What are who made a report the people so deceived pure we also learn travesties and con- reducing executive tive of the power of shown, which would for life. We forbear our readers to the tor from this State, of our paper. The ciple and its practice speech. But the business is the pro own money—of rations yearly from the according to the at home. Let any meeting, raise a the distribute the same; see how fast they w But it is said that mended by Preside ministration cannot might reply that we only enquiry is why in fact, Jackson rep and for the purpose commended that it surplus revenue re undertake to expense ment—by which a none—the money States for the And our views on they were them—the pockets of the prop tributed again, a mone ed to subvert Mr. Mr. Clay propos them and divide the raises nine millions.

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OXFORD DEMOCRAT.

PARIS, MARCH 3, 1835.

We have not yet seen the report made by Mr. Calhoun on the subject of Executive patronage, nor the Bills that accompany it. It is not, therefore, an opinion in favor of or against them. This much, however, we do say, that we are in favor of reducing executive patronage who never it may properly be done, and disarming it of the power to corrupt or injure the people. We are in favor of reducing the expenditures of government—of Congress as well as the Executive, to a system of rigid economy. We are in favor of any measures that have this object directly in view, let them emanate from whence they may. We also confess that we should be disposed to scrutinize with a jealous eye, measures professing to have regard to such an object, when coming from, or advocated by Messrs. Calhoun, Clay or Webster—men whose leading principle relating to the management of public affairs has been during their whole lives, that of extravagance. This jealousy, however, should not prevent us from supporting and approving what is right, merely because they recommend it. If they have repented and are disposed to reform themselves, we are glad of it. As we said before, we have seen neither the report nor the Bills, we therefore judge of them only from the statements in the newspapers and the debates on the subject in Congress. It appears to have been intended as an electioneering document, and as such, contains the usual quantity of falsehood and exaggeration with which the opposition are accustomed to season articles of that nature. For instance, the federal papers contain the following statement, purporting to be derived from the report in question: "There are more than one hundred thousand persons in the United States dependent on executive patronage for their daily bread." Last winter Mr. Clay said that there were forty thousand office-holders, whom he represented as the hired retainers of the present administration. The warmer imagination of Mr. Calhoun has increased this number to one hundred thousand. Our readers will blush for the degradation of the Senate, when told that this list contains the whole roll of pensioners both of the last war and of the war of the revolution, amounting to over forty thousand—the whole army and navy of the United States, and all the officers and clerks belonging to the customs, Post office, and other departments. We were not aware that the revolutionary pensioners were dependent on the executive for their daily bread. Their pensions certainly are received under an act of Congress. If this is a fair specimen of the report, it may well be termed a humbug. We further learn from the debate on the report that it is asserted that the ordinary expenses of the government have increased from 1825 to 1833, from eleven and a half millions to twenty-two millions and a quarter. This is a startling assertion. But what is the fact. Under the ordinary expenses of government for 1833, we find included, money received under the Danish treaty and paid over to the claimants by the government as a mere agent. And by a further examination we find that between seven and eight millions out of the twenty-two and three quarters millions, are for extra-ordinary expenses. What are we to think of the honesty of a man who made a report to be published and distributed among the people so deceptive in its character. From the debate we also learn some of the remedies proposed by this pure patriot who has now such a holy horror of extravagance and corruption. One means proposed for reducing executive patronage is to deprive the executive of the power of removal except for good reasons shown, which would in practical effect make all offices for life. We forbear any remarks on this subject, but refer our readers to the speech of Mr. Shepley, the Senator from this State, which will be found in another part of our paper. They will find the tendency of the principle and its practical effects fully exposed in that brief speech. But the most magnificent humbug in this whole business is the project of bribing the people with their own money—of raising a surplus revenue of nine millions yearly from the pockets of the people to be distributed according to the ratio of population. The wisdom of this proposition may be tested by actual experiment at home. Let any town in this County, at its annual meeting, raise a thousand dollars of surplus revenue and distribute the same among the people of the town and see how fast they will grow rich by the experiment. But it is said that this very measure was once recommended by President Jackson, and the friends of the administration cannot consistently support it. To this we only reply that we care not who recommended it, nor only enquire is whether it is right and expedient. But in fact, Jackson recommended it as a choice of evils, and for the purpose of doing equal justice to all. He recommended that if the tariff was to be kept up, and a surplus revenue raised, that rather than Congress should undertake to expend this surplus upon internal improvements—by which some States would get all and others none—the money should be divided among the several States for the purpose of internal improvement. And our views on this subject are now precisely what they were then—that the money had better be left in the pockets of the people than drawn from thence to be distributed again among them. Calhoun appears determined to outbid Mr. Clay in their contest for popularity. Mr. Clay proposed to divide the public lands or sell them and divide the money—Mr. Calhoun proposes to raise nine millions yearly for distribution.

Notwithstanding these objectionable features in the report and bills presented by Mr. Calhoun, we are favorably disposed to the object which he professes to have in view, which is to reduce executive patronage and to lessen the expenses of government, and we trust that the report and bills in question contain some valuable recommendations. If so, we shall be happy to give them all the credit they may deserve as freely as we have censured what we believe to be wrong.

Post Office. We have not yet received the report made by the Committee of the House on the Post Office Department, but have met with what purports to be an abstract of its contents. We have also received from our Senators in Congress, the Reports of the majority and minority of the Committee of the Senate on the same subject. From all we can learn we have no hesitation in saying that the business of the department appears to have been conducted in a very loose and careless manner, and that there is proof of gross and culpable negligence. The evils appear not to have been of a recent date, but of long standing, and to have existed before Mr. Barry came into office. We trust that Congress will not adjourn without recognizing this department and remedying, as far as may be in their power, the existing evils. Much of the clamor, and many of the assertions made respecting the Department are unfounded; the report of the Majority contains many false inferences and unjustifiable suspicions, but the concurrent testimony of all parties proves that reformation is needed.

By the latest accounts from France it appears that the King and his Ministers have been aroused by the excessive tone of the President's message to a sense of their duty, and are urging upon the deputies the passage of a Bill making an appropriation for the payment of the sums acknowledged to be due to us. The excuse for past delay appears to have originated with the French minister, who mistook the tone of the federal papers for public sentiment here, and therefore advised his government not to pay the claim—telling them that we should take up with twelve millions rather than have any difficulty. The opposition, or at least a portion of them, have appeared anxious to involve the country in a war, probably hoping that they might be benefited in their party intrigues by their French allies, as they were in the last war by the British.

POST OFFICE REPORT.

We have looked through the voluminous reports of the majority of the Post Office Committee; but their great length will preclude any thing like an abstract of their entire contents. The investigations, in every particular, were carried back to the earliest period of the Department; and the origin of almost every alleged malfeasance and illegal usage is clearly traced to an administration of that department prior to the present. The discretionary power of the Post Master General has been undefined and unlimited. This has resulted not from any illegal assumption of power on his part—but as a necessary means of sustaining an extensive and complicated system, apparently abandoned by the law-making power, except to add to its burdens. By a standing law of Congress, he was compelled to provide for the carriage on the legally established mail routes, and pay all the expenses. Beseet on every hand by the urgent solicitations of citizens, and members of Congress, Mr. Barry may have yielded too easily to their requests, and extended facilities far beyond the limits of his resources. The opposition, at an early period of the present administration, selected this department as the object against which to direct their venomous attacks. It was well understood, in what position that department might be placed, and that, at almost any time, since its organization, abuses, to a certain extent, might have been detected in some of its subordinate concerns. Cut off from all and from the general Treasury, and bound to carry into effect every law of Congress establishing new mail routes, the Post Master General, as might be supposed found his liabilities outrunning his means. It was in his power, by a judicious retrenchment, to have made up the deficiency, and cleared his Department from debt. This he had commenced, and it was in successful operation, when the committee recommended to Congress the expediency of an immediate reorganization; a measure, which the true friends of the Department had often pressed on the consideration of Congress. The odium of every illegal usage and abuse, no matter when it originated, or whether it could possibly be brought to the knowledge of the Post Master General, was laid at the door of Mr. Barry! Not contented with detecting irregularities, and providing the means of prevention,—the enemies of the Department are distributing garbled extracts and misrepresentations of the Reports of the Post Office Committee through the opposition press. "Falsehood will make its journey while Truth is getting on its boots to commence the pursuit."

From the Globe.

The majority, impressing their enquiry into mischiefs of thirty years' growth, did not intend so much to impute blame to Mr. Barry as the author of them. Mr. Barry's greatest fault was in perpetuating a system of management which had grown up with the Department, by continuing in office those who had been educated in its abuses, and who pursued, in a sort of routine, the veteran tactics which honary habit had so long sanctioned. Mr. Barry, indeed, dismissed the Bradley's, who had practiced on the system of allowing extracts—modifying and participating in contracts—and who had thrown confusion into the accounts of the Department,—but he still retained a multitude of others who belonged to the old regime, and thus, almost unconsciously to him, the system crept on its old course. But, in condemning it, and recommending a total reformation by legislative provision, it was not the design of the Committee to censure Mr. Barry for continuing the system of management so much as to point to its origin—to mark the mischiefs—and to urge Congress to provide a remedy. But the disingenuous and deceitful Editors of the Intelligencer, by cutting off what immediately preceded the concluding remarks of the Committee, have attempted to fix a censure on Mr. Barry, as if he were the author of all the abuses which are distinctly traced in the Report to his predecessors, and to make him answerable for the wrongs introduced before either came into power.

Congress. Mr. Calhoun's Bill on Executive Patronage, passed the Senate on the 16th, by a vote 26 to 15.

On the 17th, petitions were presented by Messrs. Benton, Ruggles, and others. The subject of the election of printer was taken up, when Mr. Benton made some observations upon the great increase of printing for Congress, &c. Mr. Preston followed, and desired Mr. Clay to name some day for electing a printer. Mr. Clay made a speech in which he let off some of the bitterness and malignancy of his feelings against the administration. He attributed the increase and extravagance of printing to the abuse of the administration, and seemed to think that sufficient had not been done to enlighten and disabuse the people. Mr. Clay was not willing to go into an election of a printer to the Senate, until the House of Representatives should have acted on the matter.

Mr. Preston said he should call up the subject on Tuesday, and Mr. Benton, gave notice that before that time he would call up his joint resolutions to repeal the joint resolutions on the subject of printing.

The bill to repeal the two first sections of the act of 1820, commonly called the four years bill, came up on its final passage, and was debated until the Senate adjourned.

In the House, considerable debate took place upon the question of printing a sort of panic-memorial from the Legislature of Vermont. It was closed by a call for the orders of the day.

The bill to regulate the pay of the officers of the Navy was taken up and debated until the House adjourned.—[The Age.]

Congress. In the Senate, on the 16th, the discussion on the proposition for curtailing Executive Patronage, was continued. Messrs. Webster and White spoke in favor of the bill, and Mr. Wright against it.

In the House, petitions and memorials were presented by Messrs. Evans, Kavanagh, Smith, and others. Several petitions were presented for the abolition of Slavery in the District of Columbia. Mr. Dickson presented one from the Mayor and many citizens of Rochester, which he moved to print with the names of the petitioners. The motion to print the memorial was carried, but the unusual demand for printing the signatures, called forth opposition.—The Southern members were aroused, and the House came near being involved in a warm discussion on the general subject of Slavery. Gov. Johnson of Louisiana, said it was time to put a stop to the interference of the Northern States with the rights and interests of the South, and that the moment the House should undertake to legislate on this subject, that moment would this Union be dissolved. Mr. Wise moved the reconsideration of the vote ordering the memorial to be printed, which was carried 125 to 81. It was then laid on the table by a vote of 139 to 63. These votes show that the House is utterly opposed to the agitation of the question.—[The Age.]

Legislature of Maine.

IN SENATE.

Monday, Feb. 23.

Bill to encourage the destruction of Wolves and Bears came up—was read once. Mr. Allen moved to postpone indefinitely. Messrs. Emmons, F. Green, and Tobin, opposed the motion. Mr. O'Brien moved to amend by striking out one dollar, after the word bear, and insert three. Mr. O.B. said, he hoped members from the Bear region would not be desirous to wage an exterminating war upon the Oxford Wolf, by the nominal bounty of one dollar on Bears. If the bill should pass, he hoped a more adequate bounty would be given on this destructive and unrelenting foe of our flocks. The amendment did not prevail. Mr. Chandler moved to insert \$2; the motion prevailed, and the same was assigned for a second reading.

Order from the House appointing a select committee "to inquire into the expediency of revising the present code of laws of Maine," was taken up and indefinitely postponed.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Monday, Feb. 23.

Legislature was reported inexpedient, upon an order relating to the facts of witnesses before Justices of the Peace, and the report was accepted in concurrence.

The select committee to whom were referred a Bill to regulate attachments of real estate, reported by the Committee on the Judiciary, and a Bill upon the same subject reported by a former select committee, reported a new draft, which was accepted without a division. Mr. Holmes of Alfred, offered an amendment providing for the filing of Writs of Attachment with Clerks of Courts. Mr. Potter of Augusta, moved to amend the amendment by providing that where the writ is not returned in the county where the land attached is situated, a copy of the writ shall be filed in the Clerk's office in that county. Mr. Chase of Sebec, moved a postponement of the subject till the 1st of May next, but the motion was rejected, 74 to 33. The amendment offered by Mr. Potter, was adopted without a division. After some further discussion, Mr. Jewett of Portland, moved that the Bill, with the amendments be laid on the table and printed. Before any question was taken, the House Adj.

Tuesday, Feb. 24.

Bill to incorporate the City Bank, was taken up. Mr. Washburn of Livermore, moved to amend by prohibiting this Bank from issuing Bills under \$5. Messrs. Sabine, Call, Jarvis, Shaw and Foster, opposed the motion, upon the ground, that a prohibition of that kind, should be made by a general law applicable to all Banks, and that it would be unjust and partial to confine it to a single Bank.

Mr. Curtis of Freedom, moved the postponement of the subject till the 1st of July next. Mr. Washburn supported, and Messrs. Call, Foster, & Jewett opposed the motion—the discussion being principally upon the amount of Banking Capital required in Bangor.

A motion to adjourn was made. Before putting the motion, the Speaker announced to the House, that having received an Executive appointment, he should on Tuesday next, resign his seat. Adj.

Appointment by the Governor and Council. Samuel E. Smith to be Judge of the Court

of Common Pleas, in place of John Ruggles, chosen Senator in Congress.

Peter Fuller reappointed Sheriff of Lincoln. Alden Blossom " " of Oxford. Josiah Dunn " " of Cumberland. Thomas Daves appointed Sheriff of Somerset.

From the Eastern Argus. ENGLISH ELECTIONS.

Up to the 17th January, the number of members ascertained to be elected to the new Parliament, was 456, of whom 290 are Reformers, and 166 Ministerial, being a clear balance of 124 in favor of reform and against the Ministers. The spirit of reform seemed to have reached even the rotten boroughs. The son of the Duke of Newcastle had been defeated in the borough of East Retford, which had been for years under the control of the Duke. In Scotland and Ireland, the Reformers were where successful, against the most unbounded and unscrupulous means of defeating them. One man declared, as he deposited his vote for Maurice O'Connell, at the Tralee election, that he had been offered seventy-five pounds to vote the other way!

The New York Journal of Commerce says:—"We are assured by our Washington correspondent, that the story of depositions taken at Mr. Poindexter's rooms, the two days previous to his attempt to assassinate the President, has not the least foundation in truth." [The Age.]

French Treaty. The Paris Times of the 11th ult. contains this statement; "On the receipt of the American papers at Havre, the members of the General Council and the chief Merchants met together, to ward off, if possible, the blow which threatened commerce.—The meeting was unanimous for petitioning the Chamber to acquiesce in the American indemnity. The petition was drawn, and instantly covered with signatures."

If the French news to-day should prove to be well founded, the opposition in this country have much to answer for at the bar of public opinion. They have been bent from the first agitation of this question with France, to convince her that we were to weak or too irresolute to assert our rights, if necessary, by force! They have done all they could do, to incite the French Chambers to delay—if a conviction on their part, of our insensibility to the question, could have had that effect. Such now appears to have been the cause of the tardy pace at which the business has progressed on the part of France. If the French Government were deceived by their Minister, he was deceived by others; and it will not be difficult to conjecture the source whence he imbibed his erroneous impressions. The President and our Minister at Paris, besides combatting French objections, have had to withstand also the patriotic opposition of the Federal "peace party" in the United States.

The following Preamble and Resolution were recently introduced into the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania:

Whereas, the State of Pennsylvania is now in debt about 24 or 25 millions of dollars, incurred by her internal improvements; and whereas, it is thought and believed by many that our canals and rail roads, if offered for sale would bring what they cost and interest; therefore—

Resolved, that the Committee on Ways and Means, be, and they are hereby instructed to inquire into the expediency of bringing in a bill, authorizing the sale of the Pennsylvania canal and rail roads, if it could be effected so as to pay cost and interest.

The New York Journal of Commerce states that a letter received in that city, "from a great house in London, dated Jan. 16th, says that Mr. Livingston was assured that the French Ministers would present the indemnity bill in good faith, and urge its passage. And the writer says he has good reason for the opinion that if no hostile or irritating measures should be adopted by the American Congress during its present session, the French Chambers will pass the bill. The writer of this letter is possessed of many sources of information, and his opinion is entitled to as much consideration perhaps, as that of any mercantile man in Europe."

MARRIED.

In Augusta, by Asaph R. Nichols, Esq. Mr. Moses Ruckley to Miss Rachel Wilson.

By F. Spencer, Esq. Mr. John Furbush to Miss Eliza Howe.

In Bath, Mr. Washington Dunning, to Miss Frances Ellen Owen.

In Kittery, Mr. William Adams, Jr. to Miss Mary Spinney.

In Lubec, Mr. Increase S. Davis, to Miss Content W. Jay.

DIED.

In Portland, Sunday afternoon, Mrs. Rebecca, wife of the late Capt. Benjamin Howell, aged 44 years and 10 months. Funeral on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

For Sale, or to Let.

A CARDING MACHINE standing on the little Androscoggin two and half miles from Paris-Hill. Said Machine is one of the best the County affords with a large run of custom. A FULLING MILL. For further information apply to S. CUMMINGS, Paris-Hill, Feb. 3, 1835.

COLLECTOR'S NOTICE.

It is hereby notified to the proprietors of the Land hereafter mentioned in the town of Hiram, in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, that the same are taxed in the bill committed for collection to the undersigned, collector of said Hiram for the year 1835, in the respective sums following, viz:

Name of Owner	No. of Lots	No. of Acres	Value	Tax
James Osgood	1	800	1200	\$18.00
William Hunt	"	30	45	6.75
Wash Pike	"	22	33	5.00
Thomas Goodwin, Jr.	"	72	111	16.65

The said Collector will proceed according to law to sell at Public Auction, to the highest bidder, at the Store of Barker & Thaddeus in said Hiram, at twelve o'clock at noon on the fourth day of August next, so much of said lands as shall be sufficient to discharge said taxes and the necessary interest and charges, if no person shall appear on or before that time to discharge said taxes and charges. PELEG WATSWORTH, Collector. Hiram, February 25, A. D. 1835.

Farms For Sale.

On the Androscoggin River, two miles from Rumford Corner.

ONE farm of one hundred and twenty acres of Intervale with out-lands—or fifty acres of Intervale with out-lands and buildings, as may best suit the purchaser, and be had on favorable terms. Persons wishing to purchase will call on CUSHMAN & KIMBALL, Rumford Point, February 23, 1835.

LOST!

LOST, a note of hand, given by Eliza Ryerson to the subscriber, dated Aug. 13, 1833, for \$350—payable one year from the date with interest—All persons are hereby cautioned against purchasing said note. Said note has not been paid, but lost, mislaid, or stolen. GEORGE RYERSON.

Paris, March 2, 1835.

WANTED

IMMEDIATELY by the subscriber, as an apprentice to the Station & Wagon making business, a steady boy from 10 to 18 years old. ELLIOT SMITH, "Switz 24" Norway, Jan. 16, 1835.

JOEL C. VIRGIN, FRACTITIONER AT LAW.

Bethel, Maine. PETER C. VIRGIN, Rumford. Reference, STEPHEN CHASE, Fryeburg. NICHOLAS EMERY, Portland.

Sheriff's Sale.

Oxford, ss: TAKEN on Execution and will be sold at Public Vendue on Friday the twentieth day of March next, at two o'clock, P. M., at the Inn of Levi Abbott in Mexico, in said County of Oxford, all the estate, right, title and interest which Benjamin R. York of said Mexico, owns, or claims by virtue of a possession or improvement on a certain tract of land situated in said Mexico, being Lot numbered fourteen in the fifth Range of Lots, in said Mexico, and being the same land on which Daniel Sally and Ebenezer York now live. HEZEKIAH HUTCHINS, Jr. Depy Sh. ff. February 17, 1835.

Consumption, Asthma, and Catarrh.

IN that long train of diseases which seem to grow with the growth of civilized society, CONSUMPTION takes the lead in its relentless inroads upon human life. Improper neglect in the timely administration of simple and salutary remedies, is sure to be reproved by a dreadful succession of consumptive symptoms—oppression of the breast—greenish and bloody spittle—ulcerated lungs and hectic fever—shrivelled extremities, and a general emaciation of the whole body—prostration of strength—flushed cheeks—swollen feet and legs—and at last, in the full possession of the mental faculties, and while hope still whispers her flattering tale, cold extremities, and a premature death.

For the various stages of this complaint, one of the most approved remedies ever yet discovered, is

DR RELFE'S Asthmatic Pills.

This exceedingly powerful, and yet equally safe and innocent preparation, has effected thorough and rapid cures upon patients supposed to have been far advanced in a confirmed Consumption, and who have exhibited the appearance which usually indicate a fatal termination of the disorder.

Price \$1 for whole boxes, of 30 pills, and 50 cents for half do. of 12 pills, with directions.

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THE complaints peculiar to the female part of the community, have been successfully treated by the administration of

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They cleanse the blood from those disorders of the female constitution, for which the Pills are an effectual specific—they restore a free circulation, reform the irregular operations of the sanguiferous system,—revive and establish the desired healthy habits and restore to the pallid countenance the natural glow of health and good spirits.

Married ladies will find the Pills equally useful, except in cases of pregnancy, when they must not be taken—neither must they be taken by persons of hectic or consumptive habits.

Price \$1.50 a box.

*None genuine, unless signed on the outside printed wrapper by the sole Proprietor, T. KIDDER, successor to the late Dr. Conway. For sale, with all the other "Conway Medicines," at his Counting Room, No. 99, next door to J. Kidder's Drug Store, corner of Court and Hanover Streets, Boston—and also, by his special appointment, by SMITH & BENNETT, Norway-Village, who have also for sale all of the celebrated medicines prepared by him.

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